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C O N F I D E N T I A L BOGOTA 4659

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SUBJECT: VII OASGA: INFORMAL DIALOGUE

1. DURING LUNCHEON MEETING ON MAY 17, POL COUNSELOR IN LOW-KEY MANNER CONVEYED SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL TO FONOFF ACTING UNDERSECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES, ALVARO BONILLA.

2. BONILLA REMARKED THAT FONOFF'S UNDERSTANDING IS THAT MOST SUBJECTS WHICH WILL BE INCLUDED IN INFORMAL DIALOGUES AGENEAQ HAVE ALREADY BEEN DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON, IN EFFECT "PRE-DIGESTED", AND WILL THEREFORE REQUIRE LESS TIME IN GRENADA. IMPLICIT IN BONILLA'S REMARKS WAS THE UNDERLYING INTEREST, AT LEAST OF THE GOC DELEGATION, IN GETTING GRENADA MEETING OVER WITH AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

3. BONILLA EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH ISSUES WHICH USG BELIEVES SHOULD FORM BASIS FOR INFORMAL DIALOGUE. HE OPINED THAT HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE COULD BE MAJOR SOURCE OF CONTROVERSY. ESPECIALLY SINCE URUGUAY AND ARGENTINA HAD NOT YET REPLIED TO OAS HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT. HE SAID HE WOULD BRING US VIEWS ON AGENDA AND TIMING OF INFORMAL DIALOGUES TO ATTENTION OF HIS SUPERIORS.
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